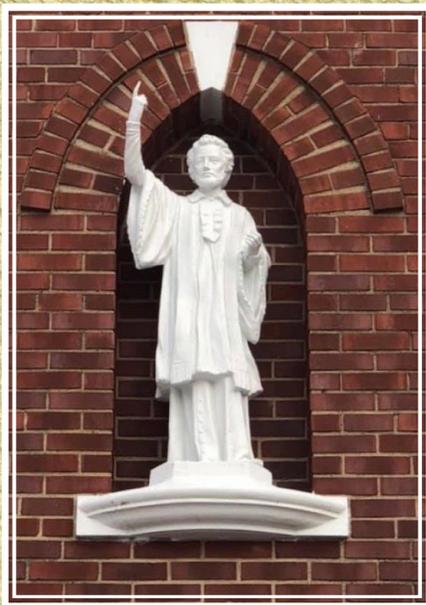


St. Francis & St. Mary Parish



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:45 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
Holy Day—Check Bulletin

Contact Information

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Religious Education

For all children attending public school in grades 5K through 12.
Sacramental Preparation: Students celebrate Reconciliation and First Communion in 2nd Grade and Confirmation in 12th Grade.

New Members

Please call the Parish Office or visit our website to establish membership.

Baptism

For Baptism preparation and to set a date for the Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

- Sunday 7:15 a.m.
- Or by appointment

Marriage

Please contact the Parish Office as soon as you decide to marry to insure availability of the church and to allow time for preparation. A minimum of 6 months before the date of the marriage is necessary.

Care For the Homebound or Sick

- We are happy to make arrangements for visits to the homebound or sick, but, we need to be aware of these folks. Please advise the Parish Office.
- **Anointing of the Sick** If you are anticipating a surgery or are in declining health, you may request the Anointing of the Sick or stay after Mass on the first full weekend of the month. If a member of your family is homebound and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

St. Francis & St. Mary Parish
9716 Cemetery Road
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OUR FRONT ENTRANCE IS HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Masses

Saturday, February 14

- 4:00 p.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**
 5:45 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Eddie, Sandra, & Bill Price

Sunday, February 15

- 8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Gerald, Janet, & Terry Nellis
 † Brett Buhr

- 10:00 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Monday, February 16

No Masses

Tuesday, February 17

- 8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Gerald, Janet, & Terry Nellis

Wednesday, February 18-Ash Wednesday

- 6:15 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 Our Faith Community as We Begin Our
 Lenten Journey

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

- 5:30 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Joe and Lucy Virlee

- 7:15 p.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Thursday, February 19

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Friday, February 20

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Saturday, February 21

- 4:00 p.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**
 5:45 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Bishop Robert J. Banks

Sunday, February 22

- 8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Jean Malcore
 10:00 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Sanctuary Light-Week of February 15

Joe and Lucy Virlee

SHEPHERD HOURS (IN THE RECTORY)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17	9:30 A.M. - 12 NOON
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18	9:30 A.M. - 12 NOON

PARISH OFFICE HOURS -- WEEK OF FEBRUARY 15

Monday, February 16	9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 17	9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Financial-February 2-8, 2026

Mass Collections:	\$ 505.85
Offertory Commitments:	\$ 1,670.00
Online Giving January 2026:	\$ 3,430.00

●Administrator: Fr. Antonio Rex Palaya

Liturgical Roles

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, February 21– 5:45 p.m.

Lector: Ann Kleist
Eucharist: Julie Engebose
Server: Brielle Spude & Volunteer
Ushers: Brian Engebose & Wayne Kleist
Sunday, February 22– 8:00 a.m.
Commentator: Tara Pierre
Lectors: JoAnne Guilette & Kristy Kaye
Eucharist: Brandon Grovogl
Server: Maggie Hoffman & Kaiden Wautier
Ushers: Brandon Wautier & Matt Wautier

Parish News



OUR SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

~Rather, we speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages of our glory, and which none of the rulers of this age knew; for, if they had known it, they would have not have crucified the Lord of glory. ~1 Corinthians 2:7-8

Religious Education News

*Religious Education please attend Ash Wednesday Service this Wednesday instead of regular classes!

*If you have any questions, contact Penny stfrancis.stmaryre@gmail.com

REMINDER: LENTEN REGULATIONS

Abstinence from Meat: Ash Wednesday and all Fridays (including Good Friday) for ages 18-59.

Fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (ages 18-50), meaning one full meal plus two smaller meals

Exceptions: Those with chronic illnesses or physical or mental health issues are excused from fast and abstinence.

GATHERING SPACE UPDATE

Construction on our Gathering Space is scheduled to start in early April. Those who wish to be part of this project and have not yet pledged a contribution, any donation will be appreciated! Please also continue to keep the success of this project in your prayers.

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for our 2026 Fish & Shrimp Fry. Friday, March 27. Plan to attend for delicious food and beverages and fellowship. Watch the bulletin for updates in the coming weeks.

●Parish Bookkeeper: Ann Kleist

Shepherd's Thoughts

God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good!

The Book of Sirach speaks with clarity and responsibility: "No one does he command to act unjustly, to none does he give license to sin" (Sir 15:20). God never desires evil or destruction. He gives us freedom, yet He calls us to choose what is good. Every unjust act, every sin, every impure thought, and every deliberate judgment against another springs from the misuse of that freedom. Such choices always leave wounds—not only in ourselves but also in others—and their effects often reach far beyond us, even into future generations.

So we must honestly ask ourselves: Do I allow space for evil in my heart? Does causing harm to another truly bring me joy? Am I using my freedom for the greater glory of God?

That is why the psalm proclaims, "Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord... whose way is blameless" (Ps 119:1). True joy flows from obedience to God. When we walk in His ways, we build peace within ourselves and among others. Even amid challenges, we experience joy in communion with our loving Father. When we turn away, however, we wound not only ourselves but the entire community. Our choices do not affect only our own lives; they shape the lives of others as well. In these times, it is vital that we anchor ourselves firmly in the teachings of our Father.

St. Paul reminds us that God's ways are deeper than ours: "We speak God's wisdom, mysterious and hidden, predetermined for our glory" (1 Cor 2:7). We may not always understand His wisdom at first, yet even painful and disturbing moments can become instruments of grace and conversion.

I experienced this truth in the early morning of October 3, 2011—the birthday of my father. Loud noises shattered the silence of the rectory. A man had entered the church and was destroying everything in sight. I called parishioners for help and watched from a distance as he seized the altar crucifix and used it to smash the sacred images. The image of Christ lay broken. The altar and ambo were overturned. The pews were scattered. Our sanctuary—our sacred space—was desecrated.

With the help of the people, I pleaded with him to stop, but he refused. Fearing further damage, I used my arms to restrain him. He attempted to flee, but we pursued him and turned him over to the authorities. That Sunday, we chose not to restore the church immediately. As parishioners arrived for Mass, they stood in stunned silence. Many wept at the sight of the broken image of Christ.

Today's Gospel pierced my heart as I remembered that moment, especially the pain I caused while restraining him: "Leave your gift at the altar... go first and be reconciled" (Mt 5:23-24). Before restoring the building, we needed first to restore our hearts. We removed our shoes and walked barefoot in a penitential procession, humbly asking God's mercy for what had happened to our church and praying for healing and reconciliation for all.

Holding the broken head of Christ during the homily, I asked through tears, "Is this what we desire—to desecrate the house of God?" The whole church wept together—tears of repentance and renewed love.

From those fragments, my father later fashioned an artifact and mounted it on the rectory wall. Through that broken image, God revealed His hidden wisdom: He was calling us to become His hands and feet, proclaiming repentance and rebuilding lives.

When I reported the incident to my bishop, he calmly said, "You priests really have many stories to tell," reminding me that this, too, was part of my pastoral journey—especially after we learned that the man was mentally ill. When rumors spread and questions arose, I simply said, "I love my Church. I am called to care for her and, when necessary, to protect her." The incident eventually became a headline on our local television news, drawing public attention to what had happened.

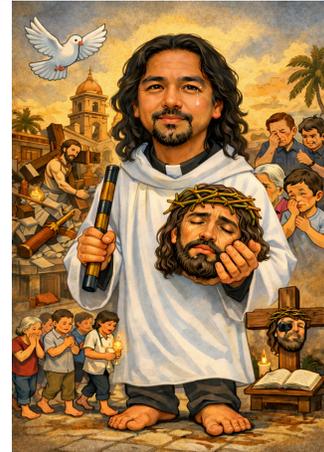
That experience taught me that shepherding God's people means standing between the sacred and the broken—loving both, protecting both, and patiently leading both back to God.

 Reflection Line:

God uses even brokenness to awaken conversion and beauty within us.

 Takeaway Thought:

Walk in the Lord's ways, choose reconciliation, and become instruments of healing wherever there is damage.



Formed

This week on Formed find some great inspiration. Review some of the content like: *What Catholics Believe: Is the Catholic Church Anti-Sex?*, *Practicing Catholic: Are You Truly Free?* New for the young children in your life: *Chime Travelers*. *Liturgical Calendar: 11-Our Lady of Lourdes, 20-Sts. Francisco & Jacinta Marto*.

Dynamic Catholic

Find inspiration from fellow Catholic worshipers, like Matthew Kelly and others, as we journey through our life. The week reflect with *Busy Is Not Your Friend or Gospel Reflection: 4 Signs Anger is Ruling You*.

Holy Father's Intention

For children with incurable diseases: Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope. We pray to the Lord:

Bishop Ricken's Intention

For the reclaiming of Sunday as the Lord's Day: May we recognize the importance of Sunday in our lives and the life of our faith community, making it a prioritized time for worship, family, rest, and charity. We pray to the Lord:

Area News

Bingo

Spend some time with your Valentine at Bingo. It will be held on Sunday February 15 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Peter's church in Lincoln. It will take place in the basement. See you there!

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Mass Schedules

Maplewood Sunday 8:45AM
 Lincoln/Rosiere.....Saturday 4PM Rosiere & Sunday 10:15AM Lincoln
 Dyckesville:Saturday 4PM & Sunday 10:00AM
 LuxemburgSaturday 4PM & Sunday 7:30AM & 10:30AM
 Casco Saturday 7:30PM & Sunday 9AM

Please continue to pray for ... Homebound Parishioners: Sandy DuBois. Those in Assisted Living and Nursing Homes: Marge Columb, Shirley Simon. Others in Need of Healing: Janet Kaye, Laurie Malcore, McCoy Vandenhouten. All who are Suffering; and The Poor Souls in Purgatory.